

# SPORTS

## KAUAI SMOKER CLUB STAGES GOOD CARD

Saturday night the Kauai Smoker Club, sponsored by Kauai võlture, La Societe Nationale des 40 Hommes et 8 Cheveaux of the American Legion staged the first of a series of smokers at the Lihue Armory with a program consisting of six lively and interesting boxing bouts, and to say that the evening was a success is putting it very mildly.

Approximately 400 fight fans turned out to see what Matchmaker Fern had lined up in the way of a card and judging from the enthusiasm and expressions of approval voiced by those in attendance it is safe to say that everybody got their money's worth and then some.

The main event between Battling Alipio of Ahukini and Clawhammer Woods of Niumalu was short and snappy. Woods disposing of his man via the knockout route in the second round. The first round was even with both boys mixing it up lively, but 25 seconds after the gong rang for the second Woods planted a solid right to the chin and the Filipino rawled to the floor in a daze, wondering what it was all about, while Referee Fern tolled off the count of ten.

The special event between Young Cornello of Ahukini and Frisco Tony Rojas of Koloa was a humdinger for one round but the unequal weights of the respective fighters told pitifully in the second round and Referee Fern stopped the scrap after Cornello had hammered Rojas all around the ring. Rojas gave a splendid exhibition of gameness in standing up to a man 25 pounds heavier than himself and at the same time demonstrated that he knows considerable about the art of boxing. Give Rojas an opponent of equal weight and all our money will be down on him.

The best bout of the evening was put on by Kid Lopez of Koloa and Young Cornello of Ahukini, the same boy who won from Rojas on a technical knockout and was in the nature of a surprise party as no one had anticipated anything of the sort. This bout was not down on the card but came about as a result of the referee stopping Cornello-Rojos affair. Kid Lopez was seconding Rojas when the latter was forced to throw up the sponge and was apparently hot under the collar at seeing his friend Rojas being hammered around the ring by his heavier opponent. Acting on an impulse he climbed into the ring, challenged Cornello to a match then and there, was accepted, and rushed off to change into his fighting togs.

The Alipio-Woods fracas was staged in the meantime and then Lopez and Cornello climbed thru the ropes for the last and by far the best bout of the evening. Four fast and furious rounds with all the concentrated action they could muster put into it served to impress the fans that this was no love affair or friendly exhibition and the crowd went wild cheering first one fighter and then the other.

The first round was even with Lopez displaying some neat and fancy footwork and both boys getting in some mean blows. Cornello had a shade in the second round flooring his opponent with a wicked right, but Lopez was up and at him with redoubled vigor when the bell rang.

The third round was a lively affair with Lopez having a shade the better of the argument. Both boys were rocking each other with powerful blows, but Lopez was cool, collected and smiling, while the Filipino was apparently a little worried.

When the gong rang for the fourth and final round both fighters hopped to it with everything they had and it was a miracle that both survived under the heavy punishment they administered to each other. Ring science was almost entirely forgotten and toe to toe slugging was the order of the day. The bell ended the fight with both battlers on their feet and going strong and the judges rendered the only decision possible by deciding the bout a draw.

The curtain raiser brought together Hesu Monsu of Kealia and Kid Polmaras of Koloa at 120 pounds. Polmaras substituting at the last moment for Kid Maximo of Koloa who failed to put in appearance for some reason or other. The Kealia boy had things his own way most of the time, winning three out of the four rounds and the decision very handily. Polmaras was continually clinching in this bout, Hesu being the aggressor and forcing the fighting all the way.

The second preliminary was a friendly exhibition and a poor one at that between Kid Eduardo of Ahukini and Kid Vincente of Kapaa, substi-

## KAUAI SOCCER LEAGUE WILL START SIX TEAMS

The Kauai Soccer League will start off its season three weeks from next Sunday with six teams battling for the cup. Lihue, McBryde, Makaweli, and Koloa are the four teams that were in the league last year, while the new teams will be Makee and Kekaha.

Makaweli, Kekaha and McBryde will use the Eleele field as their home ground, while the other teams in the league will use their own fields.

Little is known about the strength of the Makee team, but it is known that it will have a fast bunch of forwards who will be dangerous on account of their speed, but as only two of them have had any experience at soccer there is considerable doubt as to their accuracy in handling the ball, the team is liable to be lacking in scoring ability.

Kekaha will have several veterans in their line-up, but most of the vets will be backfield men and Kekaha is liable to be in the same position as Kapaa when it comes to booting the ball thru the goal.

Koloa is bound to show important improvement in this year's race and if the Koloa team can remove the one difficulty that they had last year and it is the same one that will bother Kekaha and Makee, the inability to score, they are going to be high up in the race.

Makaweli was up and coming in the last half of the season last year and should continue the good work. Makaweli will lose a number of good men to Kekaha, but it is expected that they will be able to replace them with some of last year's substitute material.

The Scots will be in the race from the first game until the last and if they can find a way past the Lihue team in their first game of the season they will win the cup. Lihue has always been the stumbling block for the Scots and it was due to their inability to defeat the county seat team that cost them the cup last year.

Lihue is a doubtful quantity this year as it is not exactly known what the strength of the team will be. Last year it was difficult to get all the members of the team to show up for games and if the same conditions exist this year, last year's champs will be out of the running.

## TWO WAIMEA BOYS ON NEXT SMOKER CARD

Joe Silva and Kid Oyama of Waimea were at the smoker of the Kauai Athletic association last Saturday evening and both boys declared their willingness to go on at the next show of the club.

Both boys were on the card presented at Waimea about a year ago and both won by a K. O. Joe does not depend upon much cleverness, but he certainly gives the fans a run for their money, as he goes at top speed from bell to bell. Joe was up against a good boy at the Waimea smoker but he set so fast a pace that he stopped his opponent in the second round.

Kid Oyama was also against a good boy, but let it be said right here that the Japanese lad sure carries a wallop. His style is awkward, but he sure makes up for any lacking style when he lands. He won his last fight in the first round, knocking his opponent down three times and then the referee stopped the fight to prevent any further punishment.

tuting for young Mitaru, local Japanese boxer. Neither fighter hit hard enough to break a paper bag and the fans were not a least bit sorry when this tame affair was over. The judges declared the bout a draw.

The main preliminary featuring Young Tomas of Kealia and Kid Alasao of Koloa, was short, sad and sweet. Tomas was all over his man with the first bell and after flooring Alasao twice and then staggering him with rights and lefts to the face delivered at will. Referee Fern stepped in and awarded the fight to Tomas. Fern showed excellent judgment in stopping the bout and his action met with the approval on all sides.

George Telles of Niumalu was scheduled to do a battle with Young Tomas in this bout, but owing to a sudden addition to his family he was unable to put in his appearance. However, he states that he will be on hand next time and guarantees a good account of himself.

Dr. Smith and C. E. Mayne acted as judges and Earl Longstreth was the timer.

## TENNIS

Plans for staging a mixed doubles tournament in Lihue have been practically completed and drawings will be made on Thursday of this week. Entries to date include Neil Moler and Mrs. Longstreth; Mr. Case and Mrs. Flora Rice; Mr. Fern and Mrs. Lane; Mr. Vance and Mrs. Wood; Mr. Paul Rice and Miss Jean Sisson; Dr. Morgan and Mrs. Fern; Mr. Balthis and Miss Dorothea Sloggett; Percy Lydgate and Miss Fernandez; Mr. Longstreth and Anna Scott.

Additional entries will be welcomed and will be taken care of by Bill Balthis or C. J. Fern.

## KAUAI HIGH TO PLAY KAPAA ON NEW YEARS DAY

The Kauai high school team will meet the Kapaa team at the Forester's celebration on New Year's Day. For a time it was thought that there would be no game, as the first announcement of the committee was that the winner was to meet Kapaa and as the Vets won and declared they had enough football for the season and the high school team seemed unable to play, on account of the players going to Honolulu for the holidays.

But matters were straightened out when the high school team agreed to meet the Kapaa team and now both teams are training hard for the game.

As the last game resulted in a scoreless tie, both teams are out to get the decision on each other. Kapaa will have additional strength in the line and both the offensive and defensive will be strengthened. It is possible that Yoshida will be brought into the backfield for his line plunging ability, while one of the backfield men will be shifted to end.

The high school will concentrate on an aerial attack as it will hardly expect to waste its efforts bucking the heavy Kapaa line. A little more practice by the ends in receiving the ball will be in order as there were several costly fumbles on passes that would have resulted in big gains if completed.

There is also a possibility that the high school team may play a team made up of St. Louis players on Christmas Day. The St. Louis Glee Club is expected to tour the islands during the Christmas holidays and as there are several of the school football team in the glee club, there is a possibility that the game can be arranged.

## INDOOR LEAGUE TO START TUESDAY, JANUARY 9TH

The indoor baseball league will open its schedule on Tuesday, January 9th. The league will follow along the lines of the league of last year and will be inter-racial.

A short schedule will be drawn up and then a league by districts will be started.

Entries for the league are now being received by W. H. Balthis of the Lihue bank, secretary of the league.

## SCOTS ORGANIZE FOR SOCCER SEASON

An organization meeting of the McBryde soccer club was held last Wednesday evening at Eleele. Bob Kaye was elected to captain the 1923 team, while Count Richter was elected vice captain.

The Scots are out to take the championship this year and they will put up a strong team on the field.

## THREE SOCCER GAMES PLAYED NEXT SUNDAY

There will be three practice games played next Sunday in preparation for the opening of the season next month.

Lihue and Makee will tangle on the Lihue field; Makaweli and Koloa meet at Koloa and McBryde and Kekaha will meet at Eleele.

These three games will give the fans a good line on the teams for the coming season.

## PRACTICE GAME IS WON BY MAKAWELI BOOTERS

Makaweli defeated McBryde in a practice game last Sunday at the Eleele field by the score of 1 to 0.

Both teams tried out new material in the game and it cannot be said that either team had its strongest lineup on the field.

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